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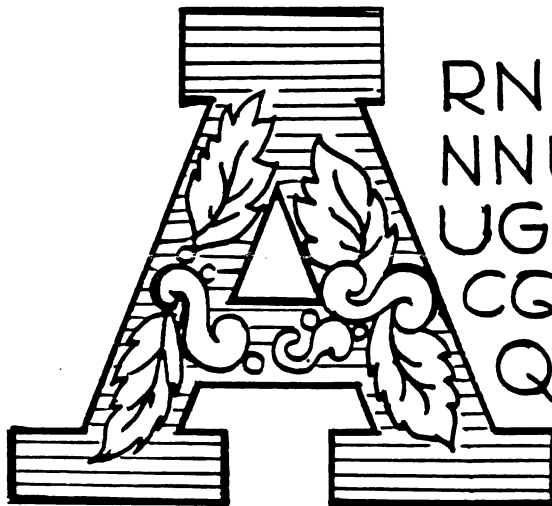
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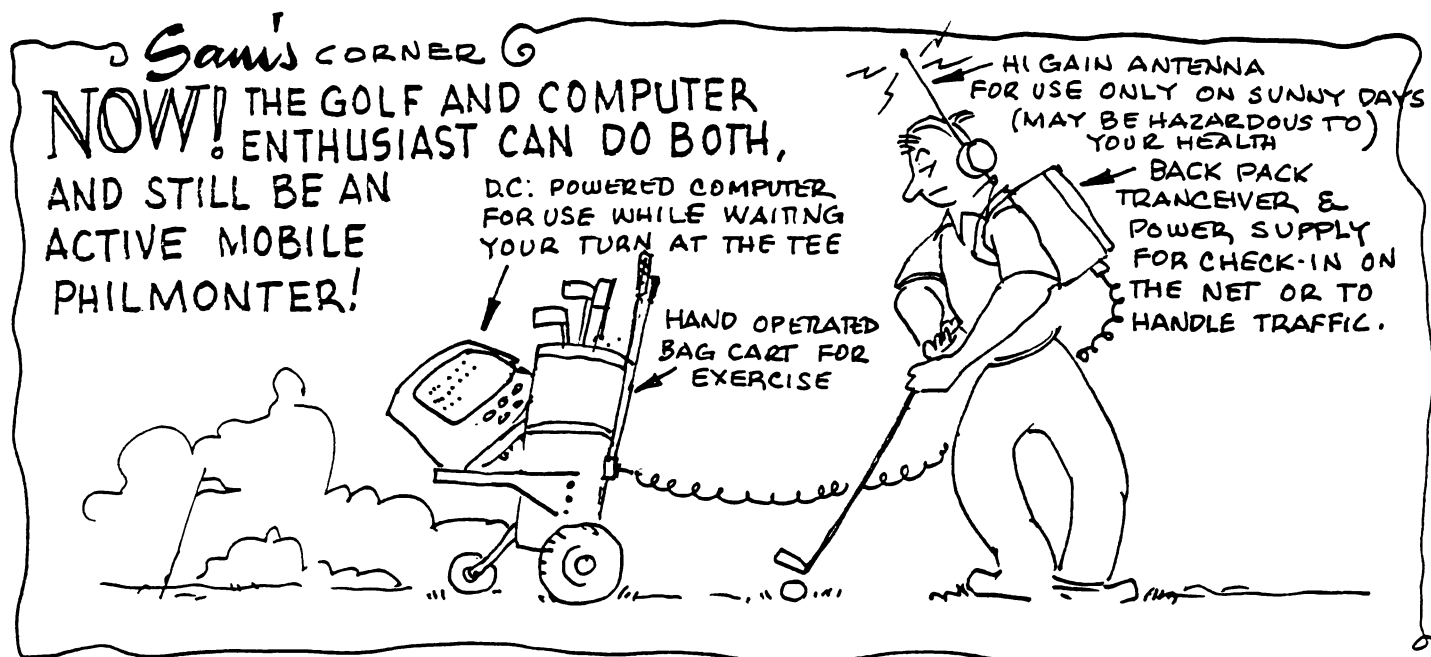
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meets on the first Monday of each month (2nd Monday Sept. only) at 8:00 p.m. in the Franklin Institute, 21st & The Ben Franklin Parkway.

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Club Nets are conducted weekly. Schedules and frequencies to be announced in THE BLURB.

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T H E P R E Z S E Z (r e b u t t a l) - - - -

The July 1982 issue of The BLURB stated that my recent world-wide trip was at your and the Editor's expense. That statement is only applicable to those who are taxpayers of a prominent Arab country!

The same issue stated, that due to the fact that numerous Club Officers have recently travelled, the Executive Committee must be well paid and that this will be looked into.

I want it clearly understood that we are not paid!

H O W E V E R , on behalf of KB3IV(treasurer), WB3KOJ(secretary), WB3KOH(travelling secretary) and myself(president), I thank the Budget Committee for their foresight in establishing the "Hidden Slush Fund" which enabled all of us to enjoy all those extra pleasures which we so richly deserved, during our junket(s).

Unfortunately, we have depleted the "Fund" for this year.

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W3SRU

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JUNE 1982 DIRECTORS MEETING
(TAKEN and WRITTEN by W3IIN)

The June Mid-month meeting was held on Wednesday, June 16, at the home of W3AA. In attendance were W3's -6QD, IIM, IIN, BBB, IRS, AWG, VVS, AWH, KUD, GNM, ZPP, 6IF, YHV, N3ADI, W3CW, W3UQ, AND N2RM. W36QD opened the meeting at 8:02. Our prez., W3SRU, is still globe trotting in the Middle East and Asia. Minutes of the June General Meeting were read by W3IIN, superbly, and approved. (Our esteemed scribe still being in sunny Spain) The Treasurer's report was omitted, since the Treasurer is in Kansas visiting Dorothy, Ioto and Auntie Em. W3VVS reported he had no new applications for membership. W36QD read a note from W3SRU stating; "I am very much interested in coming up with a spectacular 'Old Timers's Night' for the November meeting. I will support you in this effort. We may obtain something useful from the ARRL, QCWA etc. Jake, AK2I, is willing to contact the caterer that we had last year, if we decide to serve a meal, however, he is concerned about the price this year." N3ADI suggested that \$7.50 per person would not be too high and that AK2I should get in touch with the caterer and see if that would be a good price. W3IGW suggested to W3SRU, that the people at Shearer's Farm and the Delmonter's be contacted about this year's Clambake. A question was raised as to the number of Phil-Monter's who would be interested in attending this year. The members present said they would all go, so the Clambake plans were to proceed. W3BBB reported on the ARRL liability insurance for the Club. K3KUD made a motion to get \$500,000 coverage for one year, at a premium of \$105. The motion was approved. BBB reported on the IEEE program. He was of the opinion that it was 'a flop', but only because of the attendance. There were about 75 people there and 15 of them were Club members. The programs were very good, interesting and well presented. W3AWH made the observation that there were buses going to the casinos, which could account for the poor attendance. N3ADI reported that the rotor at W3TKQ has been repaired and the beam is working. Also, that all is ready for Field Day, June 26-27. W3IIM raised the question as to the status of the name change for 'Stag Night'. After much hissing and booing, W3IIN commented she was saving her darts for WB3KQJ's return. So, 'Watch it Don'! W3AWH said he had a great idea for a new name, but forgot it, so the subject was closed. W3IIM asked if we could get vests to wear at functions such as Paddle-rama, so we would be recognized as communications persons. W3BBB will look into it and see if something can be done for Paddle-rama this year. W3IRS reported he has a back up source for Phil-Mont name badges. They will cost the same, but must be ordered in units of 10. K3KUD reported that in October, Mayor Green is going to proclaim an Amateur Radio Week. The possibility of making a presentation to the Mayor from the Club was discussed. W3AWH will research it further and report. W3AWH reported that the September General Meeting would be used to dedicate the new station at W3TKQ. Also, he suggested the club invite representatives from Drake and Hamtronics to take part and be our guests of honor. The possibility of taking them out to dinner with the Club officers was also discussed. W3CW suggested that the other ham clubs in the area could be invited to join in the dedication. It was agreed to do this and WB3KQJ will be asked to contact the other clubs. (See what happens when you miss a meeting Don!) W3BBB reported he had 25 people for the Paddle-rama and may have to cut back, as only about 20 are needed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15. Refreshments were served. Thanks to Hal and Marian for their hospitality.

GENERAL MEETING - JULY 1982

The 392nd General Meeting was called to order at 8:10 (what happened to that 8 P.M. sharp promise?) by our president W3SRU. The minutes of the June Directors Meeting were read and approved. (Only IIN could write that much about a 73 minute meeting) Since the Treasurer was missing again, his report was omitted. (rumor has it that IV was last seen heading for Atlantic City)-- WB3CMM conducted the raffle in record time. -- W3VVS reported that the meeting was attended by 45 members and 4 guests. They were: KB4BEU-Lloyd Hetzel, WA3IDQ-Walt Kenworthy, W3EXM-Earl Kulp and KD3H-George Judge. -- N3ADI summed up the clubs Field Day activities. W3TKQ made 457 contacts. A few problems developed during the shakedown cruise of the new equipment and are being worked on. Mike also stated that KB3CI is the 'Worlds Best' at finding a beer can in an cooler (Keep practicing Frank, maybe ARRL will come up with a new contest) -- W3SRU read a letter from Bill Rule thanking Phil-Mont for their help during the IEEE Conference. -- Jim-W3BBB, said that he has received a check from DCARA, who used MOCOM for their Field Day exercise. MOCOM will also be used by M.A.R.K. at their Hamfest in the fall. Jim then explained Phil-Mont's participation in Paddle-Rama. -- WB3CMM explained how DCARA operated their Field Day and how they used MOCOM. -- WB3KQJ (after being harassed vocally and in a piece of printed propaganda which was distributed prior to this meeting) made a motion to exclude any further discussion on changing the name of Stag Night. N3ADI was fast to second the motion. However, before the president could react and call for a vote, W3AWH, in what has to be considered a blatant breach of Roberts Rules, interrupted the proceedings. John, using all kinds of legal verbiage, double-talk and not least of all his size and tenure in the Club, pushed the motion into Gil's brief case. KQJ having been wounded, but not mortally, then motioned that any further discussions on this subject be held at the General Meeting, rather than at Mid-Month. This motion was passed. (Those interested in joining the "Save Stag Night" movement are urged to attend the next General Meeting) -- W36QD introduced AK2I and W3RM who gave a most informative program on the history of CW (code not Barney). (Jake has promised to send any one interested autographed copies of the second half of his dissertation, which was "cut short" do to time. The meeting was adjourned at 10:14.

Respectfully Submitted

Don Gordon-WB3KQJ

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S W O P ' n ' S H O P d e W 3 Bigger Better Bucks

From the Estate of J. A. Beaver, W3AHZ;

Swan Signet Model 270(120 vac/12 vdc)inc. mike, good condx	\$200.
Heath SB200, 10-80 meters, good condx	275
Regency HR-2B, 12 ch xtals, w/mike	80
Heath Counter Model IM-4100, mint	90
Ramsey Electronics Model PS-1B, 600 MHz Prescaler, mint	36
Heath A.C.Voltmeter Model AV-2	20
BC221 in 19-inch rack panel	15
Data Engineering Frequency Marker	18
Heath Signal Tracer Model IT-12	10
6-mtr Diplomat Antenna	10
2 " " "	5
Field Strength Meter	5
48' Rohn tilt-over tower w/winch(in place, buyer must remove), with two 11-element 2-m beams, phased vertical and Tri-band beam(10-15-20), and 2-m Ringo on side of tower, and Rotator with control box CDE/CDR Model TR44 ---- make offer	

Contact W3VVS, H.P.Bohlander, (215) 886-8666

For Sale - 6' relay rack cabinet w/built-in ac receptacle
power strip, grey, xclnt condx \$20
W 3 I R S - (215) 356-9299

For Sale - Complete YAESU Station (HF) \$1700
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YP 150 DummyLoadWattMeter, and 901 Service Manual
Complete 2m YAESU Station \$700
inc. FT 221 all-mode transceiver
FT 207 HT w/ desk charger, battery eliminator,
mobile charger & eleiminator,
Vocom linear, and service manual
Contact Bob, WB3HYB, 365-3835

For Sale, 75-6 meter antenna farm, w/ 4-bedrooms, 2-baths,
crank-up tower, etc., etc., Brad W3EM, 862-2261

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And de the "Cheese-Bits"

Do you own an ICOM 2AT? K3QQ reports that the antenna is probably
cut for 130-132 MHz, resulting in a probable SWR of 10-1.

Doug Crompton, WA3DSP has been appointed Radio Officer (RACES) for
Abington Township. A new duty roster should be mailed soon.

Middle age is when you get outta the shower and you're glad the mirror
is fogged... Narrow minds are 100% likely to have wide mouths.

F Y I - 10m SSB Net - 29.0MHz de WB3KAC

Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
01 W3GIF	05 W3GIF	03 W3GIF	07 W3GIF	05 W3GIF
08 WB3KAC	12 WB3KAC	10 WB3KAC	14 WB3KAC	12 WB3KAC
15 KB3CT	19 KB3CT	17 KB3CT	21 KB3CT	19 KB3CT
22 W3KDO	26 W3KDO	24 W3KDO	28 W3KDO	26 W3KDO
29 WB3CMM		31 WB3CMM		

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DE "Dits & Bits", the W5YI Report

The long-awaited no-code Amateur Radio License issue finally came up in the Friendly Candy Company's Meeting on 01 July 82. It had been passed over on the 14 April agenda without consideration or action by FCC Chairman Mark Fowler at the request of Commissioner Anne Jones' office. The no-code license had been a project of the previous Commission. Docket 20282, "Restructuring the Amateur Radio Service," had originally proposed the no-code Communicator ticket back in '74, but this rule-making was terminated without no-code-ticket action in '79 mainly because the proposal was simply too expensive to implement. There was another (not too well publicized) no-code proposal called the "Experimenter" license during the Carlos Roberts Private Radio Bureau administration, but this never got past the staff level. The FCC is infact more concerned with amateur radio administration costs than privileges. They have to be. They simply do not have the budget. It is obvious that HR-5008's provision giving the FCC authority to allow the amateur radio community to control its testing/licensing (and associated costs) is destined to have a big impact on the no-code ham ticket. Passage of HR-5008 appears to be a "sure thing," and the feeling is that the ARRL is the only organization to implement it.

The PRB offered four alternatives for Commission consideration:

- 1 - Maintain the status quo, that is no change in requirements.
- 2 - "Easy-to-get" code-free "Communicator class".
- 3 - "Hard-to-get" involving a stiff written exam which would include questions from the Extra Class.
- 4 - Abolish the 5-wpm requirement from the Technician Class.

And what's the League's position? Actually the ARRL doesn't have a choice, as it is a member organization and what might be in the best long-term interest of amateur radio or even ARRL itself is secondary

(continuing from the W5YI Report)
 to the feeling of the membership. AND THEY HAVE SPOKEN! In a recent survey conducted by Florida University's Institute for Social Research a sampling consisting of 8,895 Amaerican hams came up w/ the following:
 Question #22 - In your opinion, how essential to the future of amateur radio is the continuation of the Morse Code requirement for:

	Absolutely Essential	Important Not Esntl	No Strong Opinion	Should be Dropped
(a) HF Operating privileges	61%	22%	9%	8%
(b) VHF/UHF Opr. "	33%	32%	19%	16%

Cross-tabulations yielded some interesting results. The higher the class held by the amateur, the more he felt the code was necessary. (72% of the "Extras" felt the code was "absolutely essential," while only 44% of the Novices & Techs did for HF operation.) There was a definite indication in the survey that ARRL members felt stronger about the code than those who had never been a member. (73% of the ARRL members felt the code "Absolutely essential," verses only 43% of the "Never A Member" group. On the basis of this survey you can expect the ARRL to firmly oppose any attempt at eliminating the Morse Code requirement for any amateur operation, be it HF or VHF/UHF. Again, they have no choice and the League's Board of Directors are already on record on this.

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 Some more stuff stolen from "Cheese-Bits" -

The following is an excerpt from the founders' issue Newsletter of the newly formed Chess and Amateur Radio International (CARI), which is dedicated to bringing together the combined hobbies of chess and amateur radio. "We are not a chess club, per se, nor an amateur radio club. We are, indeed, the unique combination of both."

Vince Luciani, K2VJ writes, "CARI's first breath resulted from my letter to Chess Life(Oct '81) in which I wrote of the many benefits to be gained from chess by amateur radio. Several readers responded many of them radio amateurs. We were then boosted by a feature article(w/cover photo) in CQ Magazine, May '82, which encouraged more enthusiastic responses, young & old, male & female, U.S. & Canada. So, if you want to add an entirely new dimension to your hamming, and at very little cost, dig out your chess board, or buy one, and join CARI."

"Our first goal will be to set up standardized processes by which members will be able to turn to the ham bands for a chess game without typical past frustrations. There will be operating aids such as calling frequencies for a "CQ CHESS," Novice & General bands, voice & code, and specified calling time periods to enhance the likelihood of finding a "Chess-Mate" over the air. In short, no more whistling in the dark for a chess game. CARI will offer this feature, and much more. So, contact me Vince Luciani, K2VJ, Cologne Press, P.O.Box 682
 Cologne, NJ 08213-0682

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PHIL-MONT'S Calendar of events for August 1982

02 Regular Meeting @ The Franklin Institute, 2000 hours

21 Directors' Meeting @ Arnie's & Sue' (see below)

Sept 06 = BLURB Folding @ W3BBB (on Labor Day?)

and from the rear seat - - -

It seems to me that there must be some out there in our great radio Club who are hiding their talents under a bushel, so, how would you like to be a guest Editor one time? Just one time! Certainly one of you have an opinion about something you feel pretty strong about. Oh, you wouldn't have to do the w-h-o-l-e paper, just this page, or part of this page, if it is a small opinion. Oh, you would? Great! Now, here's all you have to do. Just type it out on white paper, and that's it. Oh, use this size, if you can. And if it doesn't fill the whole sheet, I'll fill in the bottom with appropriate trivia. You don't have a typewriter? No Problem. Send along what you have and I'll type it on Phil-Mont's typewriter. Don't worry, I won't change a word, unless you desire it. Anyways, think about it.

de w3pst

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(To help identify, your name and call should be on the back of this)
(Mail this to Lori at the Heartwood Drive address)

I (we) can bring

WHAT YOU INTEND TO BRING, BESIDES, CHAIRS. Chairs we need, but, not 20 different kinds of potato salad. If she sees too much of a good thing, she'll get on the phone and ask you for an alternate.

HOW MANY

Let Lori know WHO
phone number

Saturday, 21 August 82 - 19 W. Coughlin, Brant's Beach, NJ

ARE YOU CUMMIN ON DOWN?? If you are, Lori is the coordinator. give a little, and take a little. A - n - y - w - a - y - s , got into medical school at Louisiana State. Well, Arnie, you ding his camera, just ripped off his mobile rig). Also, Steve who ripped him off, not ripped out, they did a neat job, inclu- Lori will be looking for you. (He's also looking for the #\$\$**@ that it is time to take your annual bath, whee! Arnie, Sue and It seems that we are at that time of the year. "That" time is

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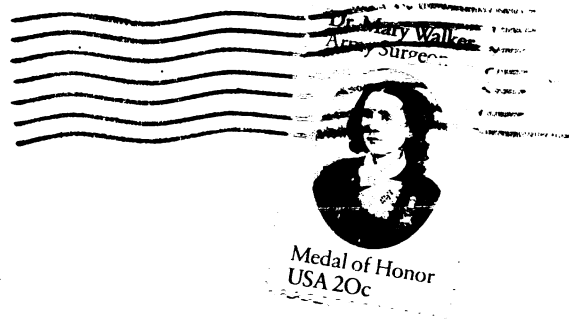
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